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Dear Library Director:

I am pleased to announce the second annual Federal Depository Conference on April 21 - 23, 1993. As your library maintains a Federal Depository, I urge you to send at least one librarian and as many other representatives as you can to this very important seminar. There is no registration fee for either the Federal Depository Conference or the Regional Depository Seminar which precedes it on Monday, April 19.

The theme of the 1993 conference is "Effective Library Networking." Presentations will deal with using electronic networks, developing union lists, resource sharing, etc. Your staff's attendance at the conference should result in enhancements to the value of the depository's services to your library as a whole and the community it serves. As the conference will be specifically devoted to Federal depository library concerns, I cannot stress enough the importance of attendance.

A distinguished roster of speakers will provide insights from the points of view of academia, the Federal government, and depository libraries. The Federal Depository Conference provides an opportunity for an exchange of ideas among depository librarians from across the country. It is unequalled in the depository library community. I believe that the attendance of your documents staff at the conference would be a good investment that can result in tangible benefits to your library.

The Government Printing Office and the depository library community have planned informative and useful meetings. I am counting on you to make it possible for your librarians to benefit from them. A registration form and agendas for both the Regional Seminar and the Conference are enclosed.

Thank you very much for your cooperation and for supporting your Federal Depository operation.

Sincerely,

WAYNE P. KELLEY
Superintendent of Documents

Preliminary Agenda

1993 Federal Depository Conference

Effective Library Networking

**April 19 - 23, 1993
Rosslyn Westpark Hotel
Arlington, Virginia**

Sunday, 18

Regional librarians arrive at Rosslyn Westpark Hotel
Informal pre-dinner get together in hotel lobby (6:00 p.m.)

Monday, 19

Regional Federal Depository Seminar - Although this program focuses on regional depository concerns, all others interested in attending are welcome as observers.

Morning - (8:30 a.m. - 12 noon)

GPO/2001: Report of the Tactical Team

- Wayne P. Kelley, Superintendent of Documents

Review of the ARL/GIS Literacy Project

- Prudence Adler, Association of Research Libraries

Restructuring the Depository Library Program: Focus Topic for Afternoon Session

- John Sulzer, Penn State University

Report on the Fall, 1992 Depository Library Council Meeting

- Gary Cornwell, Chair, Depository Library Council

Federal Publishing and Regional Libraries

- John Weiner, Federal Publishers Committee

Working Lunch - (12 noon - 2:00 p.m.)

- Academic, public, and state regional libraries will each form lunch groups and talk about common challenges and new initiatives.

Afternoon - (2:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.)

Open Forum Discussion on Regional Libraries and Restructuring the Depository Library Program [see discussion questions following this agenda].

Tuesday, 20**Morning****Option I - GPO****Workshop:**

Developing Electronic Government Information (CD-ROM, on-line sources, etc.): A New Mexico Guide

- Kathleen Keating, Government Publications Librarian, University of New Mexico

This program will be held from 10:00 a.m. - 12 noon in the Carl Hayden Room of the U.S. Government Printing Office. Please bring examples of your handouts to share. Seating is limited to 50. You **must** pre-register to attend.

Option II - GPO**Tour of the Library Programs Service**

- Depository Services Staff

Two tours will be given, each lasting approximately one hour. Tours will begin at 9:30 a.m. and at 11:00 a.m. You **must** pre-register for a specific tour. Contact for Options 1 & 2:

John Tate
202-512-1109
Fax: 202-512-1432

Location of Options 1 & 2:

U.S. Government Printing Office
732 N. Capitol Street, N.W.
Washington, DC 20401

Option III - Department of Commerce

Using the NTDB and NESE CD-ROMs

- Office of Business Analysis, Department of Commerce

This training session, from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m., will be held at the U.S. Department of Commerce. Seating is limited to 35. You **must** pre-register to attend. For more information, see the announcement on page 11.

U.S. Department of Commerce
Room 3708
14th and Pennsylvania Ave., NW
Washington, DC

Option IV - Energy Information Administration (EIA)

EIA Focus Group - 9:30 - 11:30 a.m.

Rosslyn Westpark Hotel, Dogwood Room

EIA will hold a focus group for depository librarians who use EIA information products and services. Traditional publishers on paper, microfiche, and diskette, EIA is exploring alternative dissemination methods. Your participation in this focus group would provide us valuable insights into how we might improve our services to you and your clients.

To reserve your place, please contact:

John Weiner
Tel.: 202-586-6537
Fax: 202-586-0114
Voice mail: 202-586-6448

Afternoon - (1:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.)

Federal Publishers Committee

This meeting will provide an opportunity to meet representatives from federal agencies and to discuss the GODORT agency liaison program. It will be held in the Carl Hayden Room of the U.S. Government Printing Office. Seating is limited to 25. You **must** pre-register to attend. Contact: John Tate -- 202-512-1109 Fax: 202-512-1432

Other optional activities include:

- 19th Annual Legislative Day [contact your state library association for details]
- Independent tours of area libraries
- Ad hoc discussion groups

Wednesday, 21

Federal Depository Library Program Seminar

Morning - (8:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.)

Welcome & Remarks

- Robert Houk, Public Printer
- Wayne P. Kelley, Superintendent of Documents

Library Programs Service Initiatives

- Judith C. Russell, Director, Library Programs Service
- Library Programs Service staff

Electronic Information Dissemination Initiatives

- Judith C. Russell, Director, Electronic Information Dissemination Service
- Electronic Information Dissemination Service staff

Regional Depository Library Seminar Summary

- Ridley Kessler, Regional Librarian, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill

Working Lunch (11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

- In order to foster networking, librarians are requested to lunch with other librarians from the same state or region

Federal Agency Seminar

Afternoon - (1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Census Electronic Data Dissemination

- John Kavaliunas, Chief Data User Services, Bureau of the Census

National Economic, Social, and Environmental Data Bank

- Ken W. Rogers, Director, Office of Business Analysis

Information Exchange

- Library Programs Service staff

Exhibits (will run concurrently with Information Exchange)

- Exhibitors include Census Bureau, Commerce, EPA, etc.

Thursday, 22

Federal Depository Library Program Seminar

Morning (8:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.)

Effective Library Networking

Using an Electronic Network for Interdepository Cooperation

- Paul Patwell, Regional Librarian, Newark Public Library

Ohio Union List Project

- George Barnum, Documents Librarian, Case Western Reserve University

Oakland (PA) Library Consortium and CD-ROM Networking

- Patricia Geary, Documents Librarian, Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh
- Mary Beth Miller, Documents Librarian, University of Pittsburgh

Working Lunch (11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.)

In order to foster networking, librarians are requested to lunch with other librarians from similar sized institutions and libraries of similar type.

Afternoon (1:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.)

Effective Library Networking

Local Depository Networks

Boston (MA) Library Consortium Government Documents Interest Group

- James Walsh, Documents Librarian, Boston College

Heart of Texas Documents Consortium (HOTDOCS)

- John Wilson, Documents Librarian, Baylor University

Twin Ports Government Documents Depository Consortium

- James Vileta, Documents Librarian, University of Minnesota, Duluth

Southeast Florida Library Network (SEFLIN) Experience

- Margaret Walker, Documents Librarian, Florida Atlantic University

Information Exchange

- Library Programs Service staff

Exhibits (will run concurrently with Information Exchange and will be the same as Wednesday)

- Exhibitors include Census Bureau, Commerce, EPA, etc.

Improving Communication with GPO (5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.)

Open discussion with members of the Depository Library Council, GPO staff, and documents librarians [See Administrative Notes, v. 14, no. 5, for topics.]

Friday, 23**Networking Alliances (8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon)**

To be announced

- Speaker not confirmed

Resource Sharing in Arizona: Economic Development Information

- Brenda S. McClurkin, Documents Librarian, Department of Library, Archives, and Public Records

To be announced

- Speaker not confirmed

Wrap Up and Feedback Session

- Robert Houk, Public Printer
 - Wayne P. Kelley, Superintendent of Documents
 - Judith C. Russell, Director, Library Programs Service
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1993 Federal Depository Conference

Regional Meeting: Open Forum

Monday, April 19 from 2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Topic: Restructuring the Federal Depository Library Program and how it could affect regional depositories and their operations

Restructuring the Federal Depository Library Program (FDLP) often has been discussed in the past few years. Such studies as the Office of Technology Assessment's *Informing the Nation* (1988) and GPO's *GPO/2001: Vision for a New Millennium* have both examined options and new organizational methods for the FDLP.

Two forthcoming articles which discuss these issues will appear in *Government Publications Review*:

- 1) Cornwell, et al., "Problems and Issues Affecting the U.S. Depository Library Program and the GPO: The Librarians' Manifesto"; and
- 2) Sulzer, John H., "The Federal Depository Library Program and the National Research and Education Network." Both articles examine new and better ways to organize both the GPO and the FDLP.

The fall, 1992 Depository Library Council meeting devoted its entire agenda to questions involving the restructuring of the Depository Library System to meet the demands of an electronic age. [See *Administrative Notes*, v. 13, no. 24, 12/15/92.]

In light of these discussions, it is important that Regional Depository Libraries discuss these topics. As the libraries with the biggest stakes and the largest expenses in the system, any changes would impact heavily upon the Regionals either as a benefit or as a new and increased burden. The list of questions on the following pages has been developed as points of discussion for the Regional Depository library meeting on April 19, 1993 from 2 p.m. to 5 p.m. at the Rosslyn Westpark Hotel, Arlington, VA.

The format for the open forum allows regional librarians up to five minutes each to comment on the questions with each person being allowed two minutes to react to each other. The object is to allow as much latitude and time for public discussion of these issues as possible. There may be a panel of individuals to act as resource persons to call upon for additional comments or ideas.

This long list may not be completed at one sitting. However, the questions are a starting point for discussions which can be continued at other meetings, especially as many of them are long term policy issues.

Please familiarize yourself with the questions and begin to think about them in terms of your own situation and also in terms of nationwide impact. As this list may be prioritized on April 19 in order to focus the discussion, please rank the questions in case time for discussion must be limited.

Discussion Questions

1. Does the Regional concept still work?

- A. What are its weaknesses?
- B. What are its strengths?
- C. If it is worth keeping what changes need to be made to improve it?

1. Do we need to receive everything and keep it forever?

- a. permanent retention of all government publications received?
- b. maintaining comprehensive collection by building retrospective documents collection through purchase, exchange, and gift

2. Are we indeed archival libraries and is all of the information we receive worthy of archiving?

3. Are our responsibilities to our selectives still viable and important to the system?

- a. providing interlibrary loan and reference services to selectives?
- b. taking an active part in the GPO depository inspections process?
- c. providing consulting and technical services, workshops, and training sessions in their region?
- d. offering disposal responsibilities

2. Are Super Regionals possible? Feasible? Realistic?

- A. If they are how would they be structured?
- B. How would they work in relationship with regular Regionals?
- C. Can several Regionals join together to share burdens and responsibilities for multiple regions?
- D. Can Regionals make better use of the selectives in their regions to share parts of their burdens? Any suggestions?

3. How will the creation of electronic gateways affect Regionals?

- A. How can we better prepare ourselves for its onslaught?
- B. What will development of the Internet and NREN mean to Regionals?
- C. Do you believe we should be electronic storage sites?
- D. How would we configure the selectives in our Regions to help share the burden?
- E. Are we ready and willing and able to provide access to all electronic depository information for our selectives?
- F. Should electronic information be archived by Regionals?

4. Perhaps the most important question that Regionals need to discuss and continue to study is: How can Regionals help other Regionals to improve performance, outreach, and service? Consider this question as an alternative to present operations.

Regional regionals, i.e., regionals organize themselves by geographic regions to share responsibilities. These groups of regionals with more flexibility could divide up collection development areas, develop documents delivery systems, work on building E-Mail systems in their area, meet frequently to receive training which they share with their own state regions, etc., develop electronic service systems, and generally share some administrative and development expenses and burdens.

Special Seminar on NTDB and NESE CD-ROMS Scheduled for Depository Librarians

To all Depository Librarians attending the April 1993 Federal Depository Conference, don't miss this special seminar sponsored by the Commerce Department on...

Using the NTDB and NESE CD-ROMs

If you did not have a chance to attend a demonstration in your home town, here is the perfect opportunity to learn how to use the National Trade Data Bank (NTDB) and the National Economic, Social and Environmental Data Bank (NESE) CD-ROMs.

The Commerce Department's Office of Business Analysis will hold a seminar for depository librarians on April 20, 1993 at the U.S. Department of Commerce, from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

Topics include: an introduction to the BROWSE software used on the discs, an overview of the data, and the answers to all your questions.

Place: U.S. Department of Commerce
Room 3708
14th & Pennsylvania Aves., N.W.
Washington, DC

Seating is limited to 35! Please sign up in advance in one of three ways:

1. Call (202) 482-1986 to reserve your seat.
2. Send your reservation to:

NTDB/NESE Training
Office of Business Analysis
Room H4885
U.S. Department of Commerce
Washington, DC 20230

3. Use the Internet to send E-Mail to:

L=MERCHANT%OBA%EA@CROW.NIST.GOV

Directions: From the Rosslyn Westpark hotel, take the Metro Orange or Blue line to the Federal Triangle metro station. Walk west along either Constitution Avenue or Pennsylvania Avenue to 14th Street. The Commerce Department is located on the west side of 14th Street directly across Constitution Avenue from the Washington Monument.

Reservations and Registration

To reserve a room at the conference hotel please contact:

Rosslyn Westpark Hotel
1900 N. Ft. Myer Drive
Arlington, VA 22209
(703) 527-4814

Please mention the GPO Federal Depository Conference when making your reservation. The rates are \$80.00 for a single or double room. Free parking is available for attendees.

Those who wish to meet to go out to supper on the evening of Sunday, April 18, should gather in the main lobby of the Westpark at 6:00 p.m.

In order to help GPO plan for these meetings, please take a few moments to fill out and mail the registration form on the next page. We hope to see as many of you as possible!

All Federal Depository Libraries are urged to send at least one representative to this major conference.

Registration Extended to March 31

To register for: Option 1 (GPO Workshop)
Option 2 (Tour of LPS), or
the Federal Publishers Committee meeting

Contact: John Tate -- 202-512-1109 Fax: 202-512-1432

To register for: Option 3 (NTDB & NESE CD-ROM training session)

Contact: NTDB/NESE Training -- 202-482-1986
(See page 11 for more information.)

To register for: Option 4 (EIA Focus Group)

Contact: John Weiner -- 202-586-6537 Fax: 202-586-0114
(See page 4 for more information.)

(If you have already registered for the Conference, do not send another registration form.)

Registration Form – Mail by March 31, 1993

Yes! Please register me for the 1993 Federal Depository Conference, to be held at the Rosslyn Westpark Hotel, Arlington, VA, on April 21 - 23, 1993.

Name: _____

Institution: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip _____

Phone: _____

☐ I also plan to attend the
Regional Federal Depository Seminar
(April 19, 1993)

Mail to:
Chief, Depository Services
Library Programs Service (SLLD)
U.S. Government Printing Office
Washington, DC 20401

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